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Senator-elect Alan Cropsey Named Chair of Senate Judiciary Committee

December 6, 2002 – Senator-elect Alan Cropsey, R-DeWitt, has been named chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee by incoming Senate Majority Leader Ken Sikkema, R-Wyoming, for the upcoming legislative session.

"Senator-elect Cropsey's experience as a former legislator who has served on the Senate Judiciary Committee will be a tremendous asset to the state," Sikkema said. "Cropsey will play an important role in working with our judicial system, law enforcement and families in keeping our communities safe."

The Judiciary committee is responsible for legislation regarding the judicial system and criminal law, including crime victims rights.

"I am honored to be entrusted with the responsibility of serving as chairman of the Judiciary Committee," Cropsey said. "Michigan families are looking to us to protect them, make their communities safer and provide our law enforcement and judicial officers with the appropriate tools to combat crime."

Cropsey has a long record of service to Michigan families. He served in Michigan House of Representatives from 1979-1982, in the State Senate from 1983-1986. He returned to the House in November 1992 and was reelected in November 1994 and November 1996. During his last term in the House, he served on the Judiciary Committee, as well as Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

Alan Cropsey will be sworn in again as a State Senator of the 33rd District on January 8, 2003, representing Clinton, Ionia, Isabella and Montcalm counties.

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Comments by Sen.-elect Cropsey on his appointment as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee are available on the Michigan Senate Hotline at (517) 373-4000.